The Electronic News letter of the Chichester and District Model Aero Club

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Next Competition is being held at Porthole Farm 12th May and is the Restricted Electric glider 2200ma 3cell limit



Bomb Drop Competition 2018

It was a sunny day, with a light wind from the SE There were seven pilots this year. Models were all electric, One Wot4, two Riots, a Dingo, Peter Turley and Dec Cousins flew a Trainer Aeromaster Three rounds were flown. The nearest distance from the spot was to be the winner.

Ray Beadle started the 1st round and made a distance of 31ft 2" with his Aeromaster followed by Keith Watts managed 35ft 1" with a Riot, Adrian Childs did 67ft 1" with his Dingo and Mick Blundell using an Electric Wot4, managed 35ft 1", while Declan Cousins used the Uno Wot Trainer and made 36 ft 10". then Peter Turley used the same plane to do 71ft 11". Last was Ken Smith with his Riot in his first comp got 22ft 2"

The 2^{nd} round was the best round of the day with Ken getting 6ft 4", Adrian 11ft 10" and Ray17ft 9"

Dec was the best in round 3 with 22ft 6" and Ken made 24ft.

So the winners over the three rounds were, 1st Ken Smith 2nd Adrian Childs 3rd Ray Beadle

It was a lovely day.

Thanks to Ken Knox who took the photos and all who came to enjoyed it. Cheers Ray

Bomb Drop 2018	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Position
Ken Smith	67'2"	6'4"	24'	First
Adrian Childs	67'1"	11'10"	32'1"	Second
Ray Beadle	31'2"	17'9"	45'4"	Third
Dec Cousins	36'10"	53'3"	22'6"	Fourth
Kieth Watts	35'1"	35'3"	42'	Fifth
Mick Blundell	35'1"	50'10"	76'10"	Sixth
Peter Turley	71'11"	42'9"	58'	Seventh

The club Facebook page is now in its fourth year. It has over one hundred members. It contains many contemporary site reports, and has a wealth of photos in its archives.

Administered by Nick Gates.



I/C Climb & Glide Competition 2018

This Saturday was a cold day, with little wind from the south west.

There were 5 entries for this comp which had been put back to the reserve day. The climb time was set at 15 secs.

The times include the 15 sec engine run for the climb out.

Three rounds were run

Ray Beadle started the round flying an Apprentice and only got 54 sec due to a low battery. Keith Watts followed with the Zephyr and did 1min 49 sec

Mick Blundell with his Wot4 got 1 min,43 sec, then Dec Cousins flew his new electric Acrowot made 3 min 03 sec .

Finally Ken Knox flying an i/c powered Wot4 only made 44 sec due to a poor engine.

In round Two Ray got 1,min 42 sec, Dec got 2 min 02 sec, Mick got 1min 38 sec and Keith got 1 min 39 sec with Dec Acrowot after damage to the Zephyr.

In round three Dec managed 2min 24 sec, Mick got 2 min 20 sec

The results were First Dec Cousins 7min 32 sec Second, Mick Blundell 5 min 388 sec Third Keith Watts 4 min 35 sec

Thanks to all who came

Hope you all will come to the next comp which will be an electric glider comp at Porthole farm on the 12th May there will a restriction to the battery capacity 3cell 2200ma

Cheers Ray

WHAT'S HE DRONING ON ABOUT NOW?

from Bruce

Well I don't know. Or at least I don't know much - not from experience anyway. What I am going on about is DRONES. Well at least what WE all think of as drones - you know multi-copters. Not what the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) was originally talking about....i.e. your 24inch span park-fly foamy which they originally tried to regulate to stop you attacking sensitive military installations and bringing about the collapse of civilisation as we know it. (eg. right -WMD!)

Anyway, that's all sorted now since the good old BMFA and others have put in their pennu'oth and you can safely carry on flying your WOT4 with a clear conscience and without the fear that there'll be a knock on your door around midnight.





BUT! If you have a quadcopter however....BE AFRAID - BE VERY AFRAID...or then again not, although that's what certain sections of the general public seem to believe. In truth drones have had a bad press and in many cases, not without good reason, although as always, it's been the nutters flying them that have been the problem. In the last three month some of the reactions I've had from telling people that 'I fly a drone' would have been far more restrained if I'd said, "I put on women's clothing, and hang around in bars," to paraphrase Monty Python's "I'm a Lumberjack."

THE DRONES ARE COMING. A simple statement of fact whether you love 'em or hate 'em. I'm hoping that you've not irreversibly made up your mind as yet. As you

know we all talked about 'going over to the DARK SIDE' when electric power came along, the same with Helis and currently DRONES are the villains of the piece. However, governments, industry, commerce and not a few aero modellers are quite excited about the latest developments in arial technology, so really we must GRIT OUR TEETH and **try to refrain from repeating**, "It's new. It's not how we used to do it. I don't like it. It must be BAD."

As you've no doubt already deduced, I'm very new to drone flying. OK, for a year or so I've had a little indoor thingy which is smaller than a matchbox (a tiny drone - come on now) which has given me hours of pleasure whilst destroying ornaments in the lounge and boring holes in the ceiling, but it's only very recently that I've acquired a serious drone.

I'd like, with Ken's and the committee's blessing to use these pages of CDe to both learn and impart facts knowledge and information about the 'dreaded drones.' In the words of Lord Reith - 'To inform, educate and entertain.' Personally, I've watched hundreds of hours of YouTube videos on the subject and read volumes but I'm still a total novice.



SO. Over the next few months I'll be attempting to explain the dark secrets of diversity, flying headless, punching out and many other trendy phrases which obviously all six year-olds understand. (Are you aware that we Brits have a 12 year old WORLD DRONE PRIX winner?)

(This further substantiates my heart-felt conviction that no one under the age of 21 should be allowed to fly RC - let alone little children!)

HOWEVER I'm not doing this alone. It's quite likely that much of what I write will be inaccurate/out of date/ mis-informed or just plain gibberish. I would sincerely like YOU to get back at me. Correct my inaccuracies - challenge my assumptions etc.etc. Please do, I don't mind - I need to learn and we have a great format in CDe for just that.



It's called the Matternet Station: a two square foot robotic drone loading dock and smart launching and landing pad that enables hospitals to quickly send and receive crucial medical samples and resources, all by drone.



You can either write directly to Ken, our Editor, through the website, or you can send your info, contradictions, mumblings or complaints straight to me at <u>aerobruce@aol.com</u> This will be, hopefully, a two way learning process.

Starting Next Month:

What's the physical difference between flying a drone and flying a fixed wing

Club Program 2018

1st May	Committee		
10th May	Club Night	Indoor flight Multi Rotors and Helicopters	
5th June	Committee		
14th June	Club Night	Light flight and Control Line	
3rd July	Committee		
12th July	Club Night	Light flight and Control Line	
7th August	Committee		
9th August	Club Night	Light flight and Control Line	
4th September	Committee		
13th September	Club Night	John Riall - Covering a Model	
2nd October	Committee		
11th October	Club Night	Andrew Gibbs' Quiz Night	
6th November	Committee		
8th November	Club Night	AGM	
4th December	Committee		
13th December	Club Night	Subscription collection and table top sale	
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Competition Calendar 2018





Date and time	Competition	Venue
Saturday 12h May	Restricted Electric glider 2200ma 3cell limit	Porthole Farm
Sunday 20th May	Slope Day/ Electic Glider	Trundle Hill
Saturday 16th June	Pattern	Thorney
Saturday 23rd June	Reserve competition day	Thorney/Trundle
Sunday 15th July	Electric All-up/last down No Gliders 2200ma limi	Porthole Farm
Sunday 15th July	BBQ	Porthole Farm
Saturday 28th July	Slope Day including electric powered gridwers	Trundle Hill
Saturday 18th August	Open Glider/open electric	Thorney
Saturday 25th August	Open Glider/open electric	Thorney
Saturday 1st September	Open Glider/open electric	Thorney
Saturday 15th September	Slope or electric duration	Trundle Hill/ Porthole Farm
Saturday 29th September	Reserve competition day	Thorney/Trundle
Saturday 13th October	Restricted Electric glider 2200ma 3cell limit	Thorney
Sunday 11th November Remembrance Sunday	Open Glider/open electric fun day Collection for The Poppy fund and a piece of Alison's cake	Thorney



by Cobbo







The power train can be obtained from HobbyKing

Zoot Suit Flying Days. All Flying at Porthole

To all Zootsuit Flyers Just a reminder that the Zootsuit fly-in days start on Friday March 2nd Get your model finished!! Give it a different colour scheme We don't want too many mix ups in the sky. These are fly in days, the basic rule are a climb of 15 sec and a max time to make of 5 min per flight. Each day is independent so the pilots on the day are against each other. So it does not matter if you miss one, If a running total is required this can be set later. **Ray Beadle**

Zoot Suit Fly-in Days. 2018 All Flying at Porthole

Sunday 8th April, Friday 20^h April, Friday 4th May,

Friday 18th May, Sunday 3rd June, Friday 29th June, Sunday 8th July, Friday 27th July,

Sunday 5th August, Friday 24th August, Sunday 1st September, Friday 21st September,

Friday 5th October Sunday 28th October, Sunday 4th November

Time from Start, 15sec Climb, to landing or 5 min Max Sunday Starts from 12 o'clock Friday Starts 10 o'clock





Porthole gate lock you all please ensure gate is left with the and cable positioned bottom of the gate as



For those of you who have not yet discovered it, Nick Gates has set up a group page on Facebook its well worth a look

Here is the link:-

https://www.facebook.com/groups/Chichesteraeromodellers/

Now with 90+ members

Flying alone on Thorney is restricted to lightweight electric or gliders, and pilots are requested to concentrate on flying within the grass area to the west of the runway. The Commander at Baker Barracks Thorney and the MOD have decreed that there shall be NO drone flying whatsoever

When flying at Thorney please keep an eye out for traffic(all kinds walkers, horses, bikes, runners, and low flying aircraft) coming from behind the flyers and inform them accordingly

When Driving Around Thorney be aware of young children on bikes

Please Try to leave Porthole as tidy as possible, making sure no fuel is left on site